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<p>(54) Title: NOVEL HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USE IN MEDICINE, PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM</p> <p>(57) Abstract</p> <p>The present invention relates to novel antiobesity and hypcholesterolemic compounds, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutically acceptable compositions containing them. More particularly, the present invention relates to novel <math>\beta</math>-aryl-<math>\alpha</math>-oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids of general formula (I), their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutically acceptable compositions containing them.</p>				
<p>Chemical structure of compound (I): A substituted benzene ring with substituents R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, and R<sup>4</sup> at the 1, 3, and 5 positions respectively. At the 7 position, there is a nitrogen atom bonded to an R<sup>5</sup> group and an R<sup>6</sup> group. The R<sup>6</sup> group is further bonded to an X group and an (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O-Ar group. The Ar group is bonded to an R<sup>7</sup> group and an R<sup>8</sup> group. The R<sup>8</sup> group is bonded to an R<sup>9</sup> group and an R<sup>10</sup> group, which is bonded to a carbonyl group (C=O).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(I)</p>				

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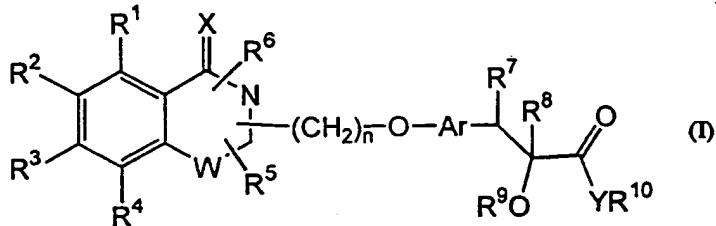
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NOVEL HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USE IN MEDICINE; PROCESS  
FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS  
CONTAINING THEM

Field of Invention

5 The present invention relates to novel antiobesity and hypocholesterolemic compounds, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutically acceptable compositions containing them. More particularly, the present invention relates to novel  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids of the 10 general formula (I), their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutically acceptable compositions containing them.



15 The present invention also relates to a process for the preparation of the above said novel compounds, their analogs, their derivatives, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, novel intermediates and pharmaceutical compositions containing them.

20 The compounds of the present invention lower total cholesterol (TC); increase high density lipoprotein (HDL) and decrease low density lipoprotein (LDL), which have beneficial effect on coronary heart disease and atherosclerosis.

25 The compounds of general formula (I) are useful in reducing body weight and for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of diseases such as hypertension, coronary heart disease, atherosclerosis, stroke, peripheral vascular diseases and related disorders. These compounds are useful for the treatment of familial hypercholesterolemia, hypertriglyceridemia, lowering of atherogenic lipoproteins, very low density lipoprotein (VLDL) and LDL. The compounds of the present invention can be used for the treatment of certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, and nephropathy. The compounds of general formula (I) are also useful for the

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treatment/prophylaxis of insulin resistance (type II diabetes), leptin resistance, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidemia, disorders related to syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, insulin resistance, coronary heart disease, and other cardiovascular disorders. These compounds may also be useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive 5 functions in dementia, treating diabetic complications, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), inflammatory bowel diseases, osteoporosis, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma and for the treatment of cancer. The compounds of the present invention are useful in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of the above said diseases in combination/concomittant with one or more 10 HMG CoA reductase inhibitors or hypolipidemic/hypolipoproteinemic agents such as fibrin acid derivatives, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol, probucol.

#### Background of Invention

Atherosclerosis and other peripheral vascular diseases are the major causes effect the quality of life of millions of people. Therefore, considerable attention has been directed 15 towards understanding the etiology of hypercholesterolemia and hyperlipidemia and the development of effective therapeutic strategies.

Hypercholesterolemia has been defined as plasma cholesterol level that exceeds arbitrarily defined value called "normal" level. Recently, it has been accepted that "ideal" plasma levels of cholesterol are much below the "normal" level of cholesterol in the general 20 population and the risk of coronary artery disease (CAD) increases as cholesterol level rises above the "optimum" (or "ideal") value. There is clearly a definite cause and effect- relationship between hypercholesterolemia and CAD, particularly for individuals with multiple risk factors. Most of the cholesterol is present in the esterified forms with various 25 lipoproteins such as low density lipoprotein (LDL), intermediate density lipoprotein (IDL), high density lipoprotein (HDL) and partially as very low density lipoprotein (VLDL).

Studies clearly indicate that there is an inverse correlation between CAD and atherosclerosis with serum HDL-cholesterol concentrations. (Stampfer *et al.*, *N. Engl. J. Med.*, 325 (1991), 373-381) and the risk of CAD increases with increasing levels of LDL and VLDL.

In CAD, generally "fatty streaks" in carotid, coronary and cerebral arteries, are found 30 which are primarily free and esterified cholesterol. Miller *et al.*, (*Br. Med. J.*, 282 (1981), 1741-1744) have shown that increase in HDL-particles may decrease the number of sites of

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stenosis in coronary arteries of humans, and high level of HDL-cholesterol may protect against the progression of atherosclerosis. Picardo *et al.*, (*Arteriosclerosis* 6 (1986) 434-441) have shown by *in vitro* experiment that HDL is capable of removing cholesterol from cells. They suggest that HDL may deplete tissues of excess free cholesterol and transfer them to 5 the liver (Macikinnon *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 261 (1986), 2548-2552). Therefore, agents that increase HDL cholesterol would have therapeutic significance for the treatment of hypercholesterolemia and coronary heart diseases (CHD).

Obesity is a disease highly prevalent in affluent societies and in the developing world and which is a major cause of morbidity and mortality. It is a state of excess body fat 10 accumulation. The causes of obesity are unclear. It is believed to be of genetic origin or promoted by an interaction between the genotype and environment. Irrespective of the cause, the result is fat deposition due to imbalance between the energy intake versus energy expenditure. Dieting, exercise and appetite suppression has been a part of obesity treatment. There is a need for efficient therapy to fight this disease since it may lead to coronary heart 15 disease, diabetes, stroke, hyperlipidemia, gout, osteoarthritis, reduced fertility and many other psychological and social problems.

Diabetes and insulin resistance is yet another disease which severely effects the quality of life of a large population in the world. In insulin resistance is the diminished ability of insulin to exert its biological action across a broad range of concentrations. In 20 insulin resistance, the body secretes abnormally high amounts of insulin to compensate for this defect; failing which, the plasma glucose concentration inevitably rises and develops into diabetes. Among the developed countries, diabetes mellitus is a common problem and is associated with a variety of abnormalities including obesity, hypertension, hyperlipidemia (*J. Clin. Invest.*, (1985) 75: 809-817; *N. Engl. J. Med.* (1987) 317: 350-357; *J. Clin. Endocrinol. Metab.*, (1988) 66: 580-583; *J. Clin. Invest.*, (1975) 68: 957-969) and other renal 25 complications (See Patent Application No. WO 95/21608). It is now increasingly being recognized that insulin resistance and relative hyperinsulinemia have a contributory role in obesity, hypertension, atherosclerosis and type 2 diabetes mellitus. The association of insulin resistance with obesity, hypertension and angina has been described as a syndrome having 30 insulin resistance as the central pathogenic link-Syndrome-X.

Hyperlipidemia is the primary cause of cardiovascular (CVD) and other peripheral vascular diseases. High risk of CVD is related to the higher LDL (Low Density Lipoprotein)

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and VLDL (Very Low Density Lipoprotein) seen in hyperlipidemia. Patients having glucose intolerance/insulin resistance in addition to hyperlipidemia have higher risk of CVD.

Numerous studies in the past have shown that lowering of plasma triglycerides and total cholesterol, in particular LDL and VLDL and increasing HDL cholesterol help in preventing cardiovascular diseases.

5        Peroxisome proliferator activated receptors (PPAR) are members of the nuclear receptor super family. The gamma ( $\gamma$ ) isoform of PPAR (PPAR $\gamma$ ) has been implicated in regulating differentiation of adipocytes (Endocrinology, (1994) 135: 798-800) and energy homeostasis (Cell, (1995) 83: 803-812), whereas the alpha ( $\alpha$ ) isoform of PPAR (PPAR $\alpha$ ) 10 mediates fatty acid oxidation (Trend. Endocrin. Metab., (1993) 4: 291-296) thereby resulting in reduction of circulating free fatty acid in plasma (Current Biol. (1995) 5: 618-621). PPAR $\alpha$  agonists have been found useful for the treatment of obesity (WO 97/36579). It has been recently disclosed that the hypolipidaemic effect is enhanced when the molecule has both PPAR $\alpha$  and PPAR $\gamma$  agonist activity and are suggested to be useful for the treatment of 15 syndrome X (WO 97/25042). Synergism between the insulin sensitizer (PPAR $\gamma$  agonist) and HMG CoA reductase inhibitor has been observed which may be useful for the treatment of atherosclerosis and xanthoma. (EP 0 753 298).

It is known that PPAR $\gamma$  plays an important role in adipocyte differentiation (Cell, 20 1996) 87, 377-389). Ligand activation of PPAR is sufficient to cause complete terminal differentiation (Cell, (1994) 79, 1147-1156) including cell cycle withdrawal. PPAR $\gamma$  is consistently expressed in certain cells and activation of this nuclear receptor with PPAR $\gamma$  agonists would stimulate the terminal differentiation of adipocyte precursors and cause morphological and molecular changes characteristics of a more differentiated, less malignant state (Molecular Cell, (1998), 465-470; Carcinogenesis, (1998), 1949-53; Proc. Natl. Acad. 25 Sci., (1997) 94, 237-241) and inhibition of cancer expression of prostate cancer tissue (Cancer Research (1998) 58, 3344-3352). This would be useful in the treatment of certain types of cancer, which expresses PPAR $\gamma$  and could lead to a quite nontoxic chemotherapy.

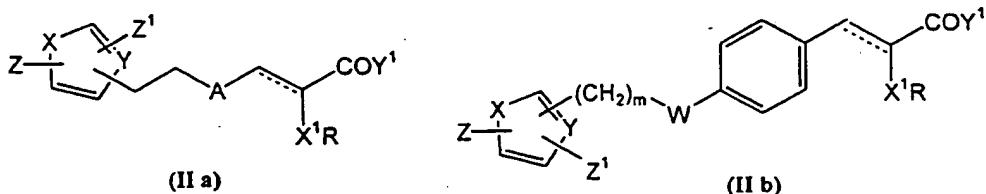
Leptin resistance is a condition wherein the target cells are unable to respond to leptin signal. This may give rise to obesity due to excess food intake and reduced energy expenditure and cause impaired glucose tolerance, type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular diseases and such other interrelated complications. Kallen *et al* (Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., (1996) 93,

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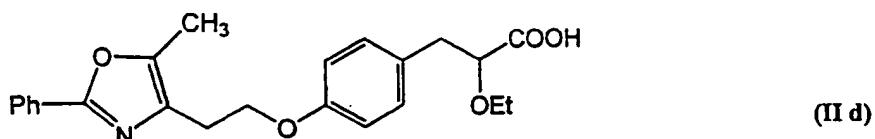
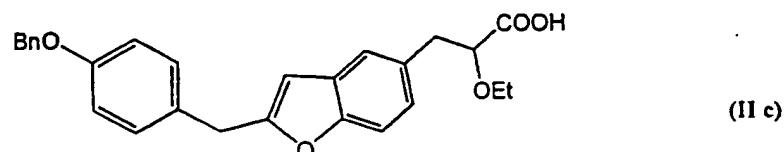
5793-5796) have reported that insulin sensitizers which perhaps due to their PPAR agonist expression and therefore lower plasma leptin concentrations. However, it has been recently disclosed that compounds having insulin sensitizing property also possess leptin sensitization activity. They lower the circulating plasma leptin concentrations by improving the target cell response to leptin (WO 98/02159).

A few  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -hydroxy propionic acids, their derivatives, and their analogs have been reported to be useful in the treatment of hyperglycemia and hypercholesterolemia. Some of such compounds described in the prior art are outlined below :

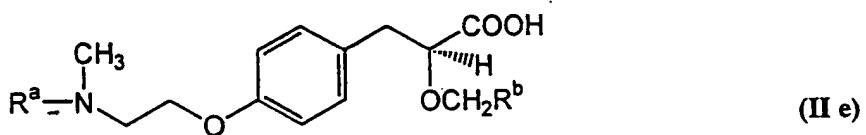
i) U.S. Pat. 5,306,726; and WO 91/19702 disclose several 3-aryl-2-hydroxy-  
10 propionic acid derivatives of general formula (II a) and (II b) as hypolipidemic and  
hypoglycemic agents.



Examples of these compounds are shown in formula (II c) and (II d)



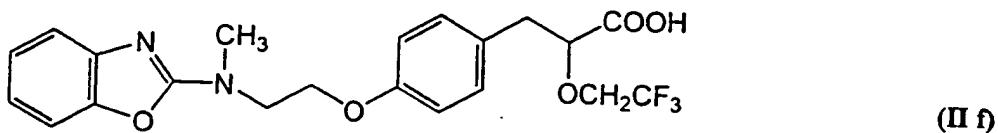
ii) International Patent Applications, WO 95/03038 and WO 96/04260 disclose compounds of formula (II e)



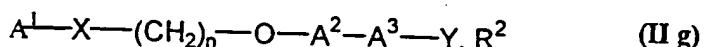
wherein  $R^a$  represents 2-benzoxazolyl or 2-pyridyl and  $R^b$  represents  $CF_3$ ,  $CH_2OCH_3$  or

20  $\text{CH}_3$ . A typical example is (*S*)-3-[4-[2-[N-(2-benzoxazolyl)-N-methylamino]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)propanoic acid (II f).

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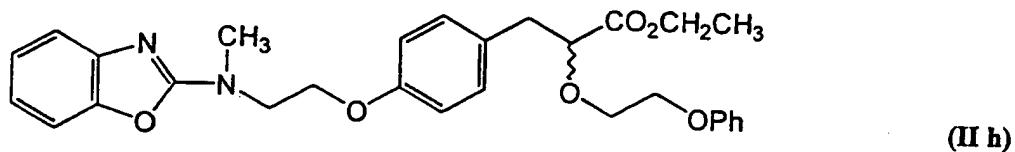


iii) International Patent Application Nos. WO 94/13650, WO 94/01420 and WO 95/17394 disclose the compounds of general formula (II g)



5 wherein  $A^1$  represent aromatic heterocycle,  $A^2$  represents substituted benzene ring and  $A^3$  represents moiety of formula  $(CH_2)_m-CH-(OR^1)$ , wherein  $R^1$  represents alkyl groups,  $m$  is an integer of the range of 1-5;  $X$  represents substituted or unsubstituted N; and  $Y$  represents C=O or C=S.  $R^2$  represents  $OR^3$  where  $R^3$  may be hydrogen, alkyl, aralkyl, or aryl group; and  $n$  represents an integer in the range of 2-6. An example of these compounds is shown in formula (II h)

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Summary of the Invention

With an objective to develop novel compounds for lowering cholesterol and reducing body weight with beneficial effects in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of diseases related to increased levels of lipids, atherosclerosis, coronary artery diseases, Syndrome-X, impaired glucose tolerance, insulin resistance, insulin resistance leading to type 2 diabetes and diabetic complications thereof, for the treatment of diseases wherein insulin resistance is the pathophysiological mechanism, for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of leptin resistance and complications thereof, hypertension, atherosclerosis and coronary artery diseases with better efficacy, potency and lower toxicity, we focussed our research to develop new compounds effective in the treatment of above mentioned diseases. Effort in this direction has led to compounds having general formula (I).

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The main objective of the present invention is therefore, to provide novel  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and their

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pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutical compositions containing them, or their mixtures.

Another objective of the present invention is to provide novel  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutical compositions containing them or their mixtures which may have agonist activity against PPAR $\alpha$  and/or PPAR $\gamma$ , and or unsubstituted or substituted inhibit HMG CoA reductase, in addition to agonist activity against PPAR $\alpha$  and/or PPAR $\gamma$ .

Another objective of the present invention is to provide novel  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates and pharmaceutical compositions containing them or their mixtures having enhanced activities, without toxic effect or with reduced toxic effect.

Yet another objective of the present invention is to produce a process for the preparation of novel  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkylcarboxylic acids of the formula (I) as defined above, their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomeric forms, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their pharmaceutically acceptable salts and their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates.

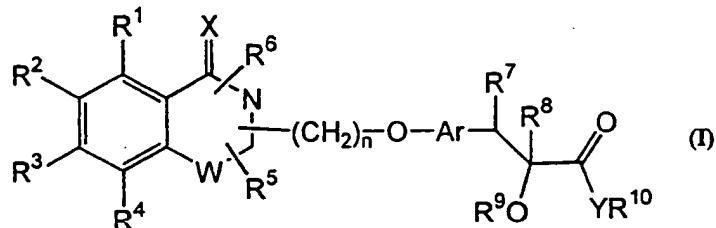
Still another objective of the present invention is to provide pharmaceutical compositions containing compounds of the general formula (I), their analogs, their derivatives, their tautomers, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their salts, solvates or their mixtures in combination with suitable carriers, solvents, diluents and other media normally employed in preparing such compositions.

Another objective of the present invention is to provide novel intermediates, a process for their preparation and use of the intermediates in processes for preparation of  $\beta$ -aryl- $\alpha$ -oxysubstituted alkyl carboxylic acids of formula (I), their derivatives, their analogs, their tautomers, their stereoisomers, their polymorphs, their salts and their pharmaceutically acceptable solvates.

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Detailed Description of the Invention

$\alpha$ -Oxysubstituted propionic acids, their derivatives, and their analogs of the present invention have the general formula (I)



5 where X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup>, and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyloxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocycl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup>, and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocycl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, 10 aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, 15 acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; R<sup>9</sup> may be hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocycl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl, 20 or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>10</sup> may be hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocycl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl, 25 or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>.

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groups; R<sup>10</sup> may be hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen or NR<sup>12</sup>, where R<sup>12</sup> represents hydrogen, or unsubstituted or substituted alkyl, aryl, hydroxy-alkyl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> together may 5 form a substituted or unsubstituted 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure containing carbon atoms, which may be unsubstituted or substituted contain one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom.

Suitable groups represented by R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> when attached to 10 carbon atom may be selected from hydrogen, halogen atom such as fluorine, chlorine, bromine, or iodine; hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; substituted or unsubstituted (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>)alkyl group, especially, linear or branched (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl group, such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, t-butyl, n-pentyl, iso-pentyl, hexyl and the like; cyclo(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl group such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl and the like, the cycloalkyl 15 group may be substituted; cyclo(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy group such as cyclopropyloxy, cyclobutyloxy, cyclopentyloxy, cyclohexyloxy and the like, the cycloalkoxy group may be substituted; aryl group such as phenyl or naphthyl, the aryl group may be substituted; aralkyl such as benzyl or phenethyl, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, naphthylmethyl and the like, the aralkyl group may be substituted and the substituted aralkyl is a group such as CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, Hal-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, 20 CH<sub>3</sub>OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> and the like; heteroaryl group such as pyridyl, thiienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, imidazolyl, oxadiazolyl, tetrazolyl, benzopyranyl, benzofuryl and the like, the heteroaryl group may be substituted; heterocyclyl groups such as 25 aziridinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl and the like, the heterocyclyl group may be substituted; aralkoxy group such as benzyloxy, phenethyloxy, naphthyl-methyloxy, phenylpropyloxy and the like, the aralkoxy group may be substituted; heteroaralkyl group such as furanmethyl, pyridinemethyl, oxazolemethyl, oxazoleethyl and the like, the heteroaralkyl group may be substituted; aralkylamino group such as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>3</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; alkoxycarbonyl such as methoxycarbonyl or ethoxycarbonyl which may be substituted; aryloxycarbonyl 30 group such as or unsubstituted or substituted phenoxy carbonyl, naphthoxy carbonyl and the like; aralkoxycarbonyl group such as benzyloxycarbonyl, phenethyloxycarbonyl, naphthyl-methoxycarbonyl and the like, which may be substituted; monoalkylamino group such as

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NHCH<sub>3</sub>, NHC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>, NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub> and the like, which may be substituted, dialkylamino group such as N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), and the like, which may be substituted; alkoxyalkyl group such as methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl, methoxyethyl, ethoxyethyl and the like which may be substituted; aryloxyalkyl group such as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>,

5 naphthyloxymethyl and the like, which may be substituted; aralkoxyalkyl group such as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; heteroaryloxy and heteroaralkoxy, wherein heteroaryl and heteroaralkyl moieties are as defined earlier and may be substituted; aryloxy group such as phenoxy, naphthyloxy, the aryloxy group may be substituted; arylamino group such as HNC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-Hal and

10 the like, which may be substituted; amino group which may be substituted; amino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkyl which may be substituted; hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl which may be substituted; (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkoxy such as methoxy, ethoxy, propyloxy, butyloxy, iso-propylxy and the like which may be substituted; thio(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl which may be substituted; (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkylthio which may be substituted; acyl group such as acetyl, propanoyl or benzoyl, the acyl group may be substituted; acylamino groups such as NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHCOC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>, NHCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> which may be substituted; aralkoxycarbonylamino group such as NHCOOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHCOOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)COOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, N(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)COOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHCOOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; aryloxycarbonylamino group such as NHCOOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>COOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>COOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>,

15 NHCOOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; alkoxy-carbonylamino group such as NHCOOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHCOOCH<sub>3</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; carboxylic acid or its derivatives such as amides, like CONH<sub>2</sub>, CONHMe, CONMe<sub>2</sub>, CONHET, CONEt<sub>2</sub>, CONHPh and the like, the carboxylic acid derivatives may be substituted; acyloxy group such as OCOMe, OCOEt, OCOPh and the like, which may be substituted; or sulfonic acid or its derivatives such as SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>NHMe, SO<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>NHCF<sub>3</sub> and the like, the sulfonic acid derivatives may be substituted.

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When the groups represented by R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, and R<sup>6</sup> are substituted, the substituents may be selected from halogen, hydroxy, nitro or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, arylamino, aminoalkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, alkoxy carbonyl, alkylamino, alkoxyalkyl,

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alkylthio, thioalkyl groups, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives. The substituents are defined as above.

It is preferred that the substituents on R<sup>1</sup>-R<sup>6</sup> represent halogen atom such as fluorine, chlorine, or bromine, hydroxy; or unsubstituted or substituted halogenated alkyl groups, the 5 alkyl group is selected from a group such as methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, n-propyl, or n-butyl; cycloalkyl group such as cyclopropyl; aryl group such as phenyl; aralkyl group such as benzyl; (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>) alkoxy; benzyloxy, acyl or acyloxy groups.

Suitable R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom are selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl; substituted or unsubstituted (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>)alkyl group, especially, 10 linear or branched (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl group, such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, t-butyl, n-pentyl, iso-pentyl, hexyl and the like; cyclo(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl group such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl and the like, the cycloalkyl group may be substituted; cyclo(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyloxy group such as cyclopropyloxy, cyclobutyloxy, cyclo- 15 pentyloxy, cyclohexyloxy and the like, the cycloalkoxy group may be substituted; aryl group such as phenyl or naphthyl, the aryl group may be substituted; aralkyl such as benzyl or phenethyl, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, naphthylmethyl and the like, the aralkyl group may be substituted and the substituted aralkyl is a group such as CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, Hal-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> and the like; heteroaryl group such as pyridyl, thienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, imidazolyl, oxadiazolyl, tetrazolyl, benzopyranyl, 20 benzofuryl and the like, the heteroaryl group may be substituted; heterocyclyl groups such as aziridinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl and the like, the heterocyclyl group may be substituted; aralkoxy group such as benzyloxy, phenethyloxy, naphthyl-methyloxy, phenylpropyloxy and the like, the aralkoxy group may be substituted; heteroaralkyl group such as furanmethyl, pyridinemethyl, oxazolemethyl, oxazoleethyl and the 25 like, the heteroaralkyl group may be substituted; aralkylamino group such as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>3</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; alkoxy carbonyl such as methoxycarbonyl or ethoxycarbonyl which may be substituted; aryloxycarbonyl group such as or unsubstituted or substituted phenoxy carbonyl, naphthylloxycarbonyl and the like; aralkoxycarbonyl group such as benzyloxycarbonyl, phenethyloxycarbonyl, naphthyl-methoxycarbonyl and the like, which may be substituted; monoalkylamino group such as 30 NHCH<sub>3</sub>, NHC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, NHC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>, NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub> and the like, which may be substituted; dialkylamino group such as N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), and the like, which may be substituted; alkoxyalkyl

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group such as methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl, methoxyethyl, ethoxyethyl and the like, which may be substituted; aryloxyalkyl group such as  $C_6H_5OCH_2$ ,  $C_6H_5OCH_2CH_2$ , naphthyl-oxymethyl and the like, which may be substituted; aralkoxyalkyl group such as  $C_6H_5CH_2OCH_2$ ,  $C_6H_5CH_2OCH_2CH_2$  and the like, which may be substituted; heteroaryloxy and heteroaralkoxy, wherein heteroaryl and heteroaralkyl moieties are as defined earlier and may be substituted; aryloxy group such as phenoxy, naphthoxy, the aryloxy group may be substituted; arylamino group such as  $NHC_6H_5$ ,  $NCH_2(C_6H_5)$ ,  $NHC_6H_4CH_3$ ,  $NHC_6H_4\text{-Hal}$  and the like, which may be substituted; amino group which may be substituted; amino( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkyl which may be substituted; hydroxy( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkyl which may be substituted; ( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkoxy such as methoxy, ethoxy, propyloxy, butyloxy, iso-propyloxy and the like which may be substituted; thio( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkyl which may be substituted; ( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkylthio which may be substituted; acyl group such as acetyl, propanoyl or benzoyl, the acyl group may be substituted; acylamino groups such as  $NHCOCH_3$ ,  $NHCOC_2H_5$ ,  $NHCOC_3H_7$ ,  $NHCOC_6H_5$  which may be substituted; carboxylic acid derivatives such as amides, like  $CONH_2$ ,  $CONHMe$ ,  $CONMe_2$ ,  $CONHEt$ ,  $CONEt_2$ ,  $CONHPh$  and the like, the carboxylic acid derivatives may be substituted; acyloxy group such as  $OCOMe$ ,  $OCOEt$ ,  $OCOPh$  and the like which may be unsubstituted or substituted; sulfonic acid derivatives such as  $SO_2NH_2$ ,  $SO_2NHMe$ ,  $SO_2NMe_2$ ,  $SO_2NHCF_3$  and the like, the sulfonic acid derivatives may be substituted.

When the groups represented by  $R^{11}$  and the groups  $R^5$ ,  $R^6$  attached to nitrogen are substituted, preferred substituents may be selected from halogen such as fluorine, chlorine; hydroxy, acyl, acyloxy, or amino groups.

When the groups represented by  $R^{11}$  and the groups  $R^5$ ,  $R^6$  are attached to nitrogen atom,  $R^1\text{-}R^4$  are same as defined earlier.

The group represented by Ar includes substituted or unsubstituted groups selected from divalent phenylene, naphthylene, pyridyl, quinolinyl, benzofuryl, benzoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, indolyl, indolinyl, azaindolyl, azaindolinyl, indenyl, dihydrobenzofuryl, benzopyranyl, dihydrobenzopyranyl, pyrazolyl and the like. The substituents on the group represented by Ar include linear or branched or unsubstituted or substituted halogenated ( $C_1\text{-}C_6$ )alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted halogenated ( $C_1\text{-}C_3$ )alkoxy, halogen, acyl, amino, acylamino, thio, carboxylic and sulfonic acids and their derivatives. The substituents are defined as they are for  $R^1\text{-}R^4$ .

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It is more preferred that Ar represents a substituted or unsubstituted divalent, phenylene, naphthylene, benzofuryl, indolyl, indolinyl, quinolinyl, azaindolyl, azaindolinyl, benzothiazolyl or benzoxazolyl groups.

It is still more preferred that Ar is represented by divalent phenylene or naphthylene, 5 which may be unsubstituted or substituted by methyl, halomethyl, methoxy or halomethoxy groups.

Suitable R<sup>7</sup> includes hydrogen, lower alkyl groups such as methyl, ethyl or propyl; hydroxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkoxy; halogen atom such as fluorine, chlorine, bromine, or iodine; aralkyl such as benzyl, or phenethyl, which may be unsubstituted or substituted with halogen, 10 hydroxy, halogen, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkyl or alkoxy (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>), or R<sup>7</sup> together with R<sup>8</sup> represent a bond.

Suitable R<sup>8</sup> may be hydrogen, lower alkyl groups such as methyl, ethyl or propyl; hydroxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkoxy; halogen atom such as fluorine, chlorine, bromine, or iodine; acyl group such as linear or branched (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>)acyl group such as acetyl, propanoyl, butanoyl, 15 pentanoyl, benzoyl and the like; aralkyl such as benzyl, phenethyl, which may be unsubstituted or substituted with halogen, hydroxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkoxy, benzyloxy, acetyl, acetyloxy groups, preferably with hydroxy, halogen, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkyl or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>) alkoxy, or R<sup>8</sup> together with R<sup>7</sup> forms a bond.

It is preferred that R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> represent hydrogen atom or R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together represent 20 a bond.

Suitable groups represented by R<sup>9</sup> may be selected from hydrogen, linear or branched (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>)alkyl, preferably (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>)alkyl group such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, pentyl, hexyl, octyl and the like, which may be substituted; (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>) 25 cycloalkyl group such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, and the like, the cycloalkyl group may be substituted; aryl group such as phenyl, naphthyl, the aryl group may be substituted; heteroaryl group such as pyridyl, thieryl, furyl and the like, the heteroaryl group may be substituted; heteroaralkyl group such as furanmethyl, pyridinemethyl, oxazol- emethyl, oxazoleethyl and the like, the heteroaralkyl group may be substituted; aralkyl group 30 wherein the aryl group is as defined earlier and the alkyl moiety may contain C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> atoms such as benzyl, phenethyl and the like; the aralkyl group may be substituted; heterocyclyl group such as aziridinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl and the like, the heterocyclyl group may be substituted; (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl group such as methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl,

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methoxyethyl, ethoxypropyl and the like, the alkoxyalkyl group may be substituted; aryloxyalkyl group such as  $C_6H_5OCH_2$ ,  $C_6H_5OCH_2CH_2$ , naphthyoxyethyl, naphthyl-  
oxyethyl and the like, which may be substituted; linear or branched ( $C_2-C_{16}$ )acyl group such  
as acetyl, propanoyl, isopropanoyl, butanoyl, benzoyl, octanoyl, decanoyl and the like which  
5 may be substituted; ( $C_1-C_6$ )alkoxycarbonyl, the alkyl group may be substituted; aryloxy-  
carbonyl such as phenoxy carbonyl, naphthyoxy carbonyl, the aryl group may be substituted;  
( $C_1-C_6$ )alkylaminocarbonyl, the alkyl group may be substituted; and arylaminocarbonyl such  
as  $PhNHCO$ , naphthylaminocarbonyl, the aryl moiety may be substituted. The substituents  
may be selected from halogen, hydroxy, formyl or nitro or unsubstituted or substituted  
10 groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aralkoxyalkyl,  
heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, aryl-  
amino, aminoalkyl, aryloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, alkylamino, alkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl  
groups, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives. These groups are  
as defined above.

15 Suitable groups represented by  $R^{10}$  may be selected from hydrogen, substituted or  
unsubstituted linear or branched ( $C_1-C_{16}$ )alkyl, preferably ( $C_1-C_{12}$ )alkyl group such as  
methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, pentyl, hexyl, octyl and the like;  
( $C_3-C_7$ )cycloalkyl such as cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl and the like, the cycloalkyl  
group may be substituted; aryl group such as phenyl, naphthyl, the aryl group may be  
20 substituted; heteroaryl group such as pyridyl, thienyl, furyl and the like, the heteroaryl group  
may be substituted; heteroaralkyl group such as furanmethyl, pyridinemethyl, oxazolemethyl,  
oxazoleethyl and the like, the heteroaralkyl group may be substituted; aralkyl group such as  
benzyl and phenethyl, the aralkyl group may be substituted; heterocyclyl group such as  
aziridinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl and the like, the heterocyclyl group may be substituted.

25 The substituents on  $R^{10}$  may be selected from the same group of  $R^1-R^4$  and are as defined  
above.

Suitable groups represented by  $R^{12}$  may be selected from hydrogen, substituted or  
unsubstituted linear or branched ( $C_1-C_{16}$ )alkyl, preferably ( $C_1-C_{12}$ )alkyl; hydroxy ( $C_1-C_6$ )  
alkyl which may be substituted; aryl group such as phenyl, naphthyl and the like, which may  
30 be substituted; aralkyl group such as benzyl and phenethyl and the like, which may be  
substituted; heterocyclyl group such as aziridinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, and the like  
which may be substituted; heteroaryl group such as pyridyl, thienyl, furyl and the like, which

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may be substituted; and heteroaralkyl group such as furanmethyl, pyridinemethyl, oxazolemethyl, oxazoleethyl and the like, which may be substituted.

The cyclic structure formed by R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> may be a substituted or unsubstituted 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure containing carbon atoms which may be unsubstituted or 5 substituted contain one or two heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen or sulfur.

Suitable ring structures formed by R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> together may be selected from pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, piperazinyl, oxazolinyl, diazolinyl and the like.

Suitable substituents on the cyclic structure formed by R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> taken together may be selected from halogen, hydroxy, alkyl, oxo, aralkyl and the like.

10      Suitable n is an integer ranging from 1 to 4, preferably n represents an integer 1 or 2.

Pharmaceutically acceptable salts forming part of this invention include salts of the carboxylic acid moiety such as alkali metal salts like Li, Na, and K salts; alkaline earth metal salts like Ca and Mg salts; salts of organic bases such as lysine, arginine, guanidine, diethanolamine, choline, tromethamine and the like; ammonium or substituted ammonium salts, and aluminum salts. Salts may include acid addition salts where appropriate which are, sulphates, nitrates, phosphates, perchlorates, borates, hydrohalides, acetates, tartrates, maleates, citrates, succinates, palmoates, methanesulphonates, benzoates, salicylates, hydroxynaphthoates, benzenesulfonates, ascorbates, glycerophosphates, ketoglutarates and the like. Pharmaceutically acceptable solvates may be hydrates or comprising other solvents 15      of crystallization such as alcohols.

Particularly useful compounds according to the present invention include:

Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-propenoate;

(±)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl] 25      propanoate;

(+)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(-)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] 30      propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

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[2R, N(1S)] 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]-N-(2-hydroxy-1-phenylethyl)propanamide;

[2S, N(1S)] 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]-N-(2-hydroxy-1-phenylethyl)propanamide;

5 (+) 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(-) 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Ethyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] 10 -2-propenoate;

(±)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

15 (-)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] 20 ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and salts;

(-) 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

25 (+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

(-)Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] 30 phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts; ..

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

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(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

5 (+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy] phenyl] 10 propanoic acid;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid;

15 (±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] 20 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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25 (-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] 30 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

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( $\pm$ )-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

5 (-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

10 (+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

15 ( $\pm$ )-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

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(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

20 ( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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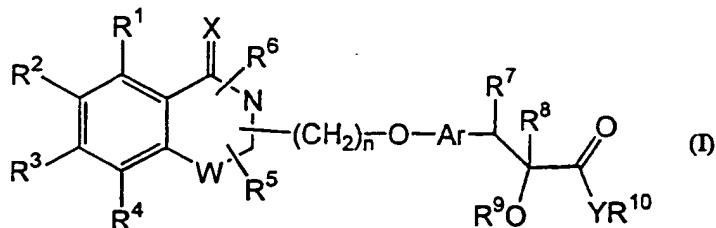
(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

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CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I)



its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its  
 5 pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X  
 represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to  
 carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano,  
 nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy,  
 cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, hetero-  
 10 aralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl,  
 amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkyl amino group, arylamino, acylamino,  
 aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl,  
 alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic  
 acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>;  
 15 R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and  
 represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from  
 alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, hetero-  
 aryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino,  
 acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or di alkylamino group, arylamino, aralkyl-  
 20 amino, aminoalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl,  
 aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid  
 derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents or unsubstituted or substituted  
 divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy,  
 halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>;  
 25 R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or  
 unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl, or R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond together with R<sup>7</sup>; R<sup>9</sup> represents  
 hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl,  
 alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl,

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arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen or NR<sup>12</sup>, where R<sup>12</sup> represents hydrogen, or unsubstituted or substituted alkyl, aryl, hydroxyalkyl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> together may form a substituted or unsubstituted 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure containing carbon atoms, which may or unsubstituted or substituted contain one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom.

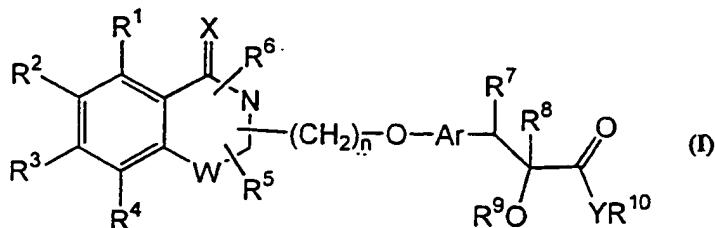
5 2. A compound of the formula (I) according to claim 1, wherein the groups represented by R<sup>1</sup>-R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom are substituted, the substituents are selected from halogen, hydroxy, or nitro or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, 10 arylamino, aminoalkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylamino, alkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl groups, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives.

15 3. A compound of the formula (I) according to claims 1 or 2, wherein the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen are substituted, substituents are selected from halogen such as fluorine, chlorine; hydroxy, acyl, acyloxy, or amino groups.

20 4. A compound of the formula (I) according to claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein the group Ar includes substituted or unsubstituted groups selected from divalent phenylene, naphthylene, pyridyl, quinolinyl, benzofuryl, benzoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, indolyl, indolinyl, azaindolyl, azaindolinyl, indenyl, dihydrobenzofuryl, benzopyranyl, dihydrobenzopyranyl, or pyrazolyl.

25 5. A compound of the formula (I) according to claim 1, 2, 3 or 4, wherein the substituents on the group represented by R<sup>9</sup> are selected from halogen, hydroxy, formyl or nitro or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaralkyl, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, arylamino, aminoalkyl, aryloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylamino, 30 alkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl groups, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives.

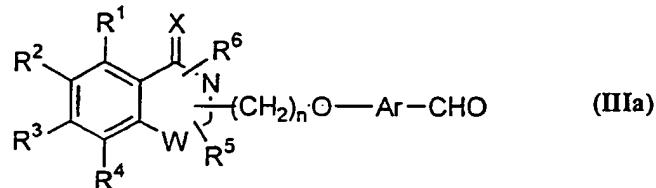
6. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (I)



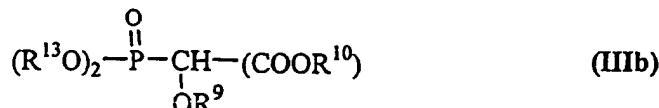
its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, where X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to 5 carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxy- carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acyl- 10 amino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups 15 selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or di alkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid 20 derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> together with R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents 25 hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, which comprises:

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a) reacting a compound of formula (IIIa)

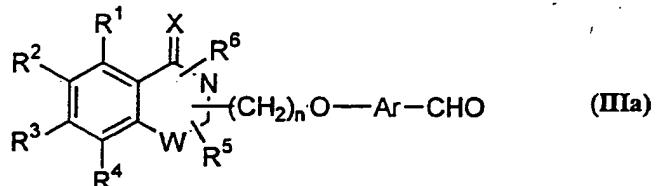


where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIb)



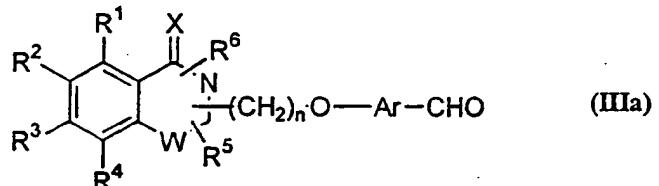
5 where R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> are as defined above excluding hydrogen and R<sup>13</sup> represents (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, to yield compound of formula (I) defined above;

b) reacting the compound of formula (IIIa)



where all symbols are as defined earlier with Wittig reagents;

10 c) reacting a compound of formula (IIIa)



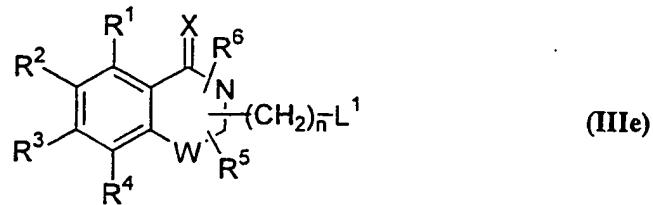
where all other symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIc)



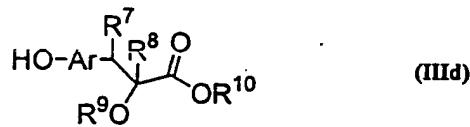
15 where R<sup>8</sup> is hydrogen and all other symbols are as defined above to yield a compound of formula (I) as defined above after dehydration;

d) reacting a compound of formula (IIIe)

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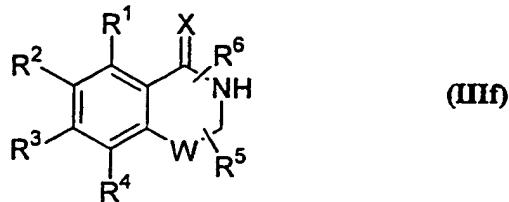


where all symbols are as defined earlier and  $L^1$  represents a leaving group, with a compound of formula (IIId)



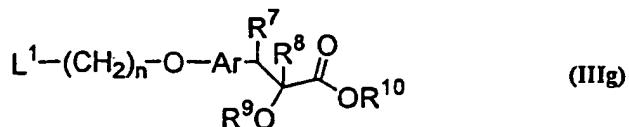
5 where  $R^7$  and  $R^8$  together represent a bond and all other symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of the formula (I) where all symbols are as defined above;

e) reacting a compound of formula (IIIf)



where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIf)

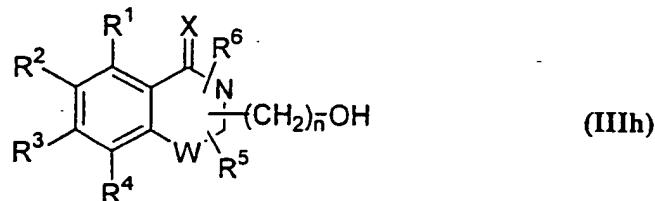
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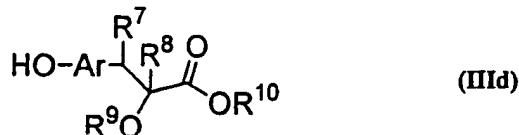
where  $R^7$  and  $R^8$  together represent a bond,  $L^1$  is a leaving group to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above where the linker group  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  is attached to nitrogen atom;

f) reacting a compound of formula (IIIf)

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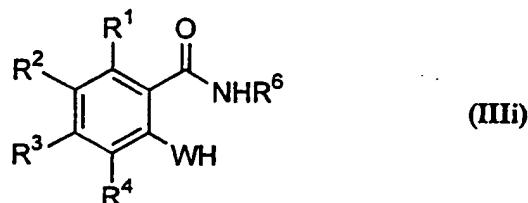


where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIId)

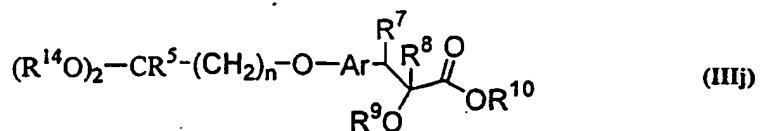


5 where R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together represent a bond and all other symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of formula (I) where all symbols are as defined above;

g) reacting a compound of formula (IIIi)



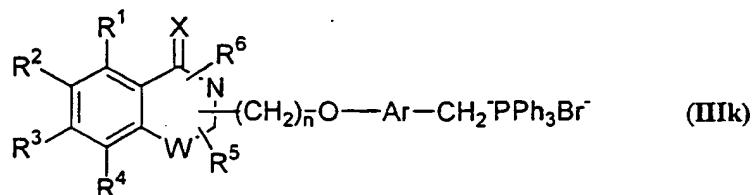
where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIj)



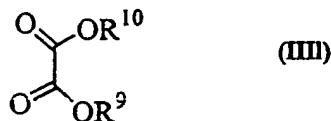
10 where R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together represent a bond, R<sup>14</sup> represents lower alkyl group and all other symbols are as defined above, to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above, where the linker group -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- is attached to carbon atom;

h) reacting a compound of formula (IIIk)

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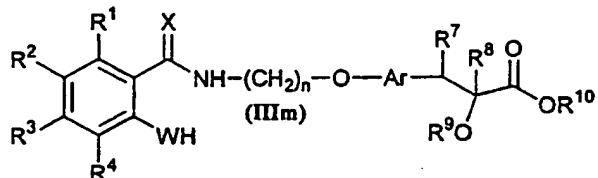
where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (III)



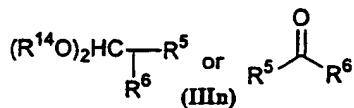
where  $R^9 = R^{10}$  and are as defined above excluding hydrogen to produce a compound of the

5 formula (I);

(i) reacting a compound of formula (IIIm) where  $R^7$ ,  $R^8$  together represent a bond and all other symbols are as defined above



10 with a compound of formula (IIIIn)

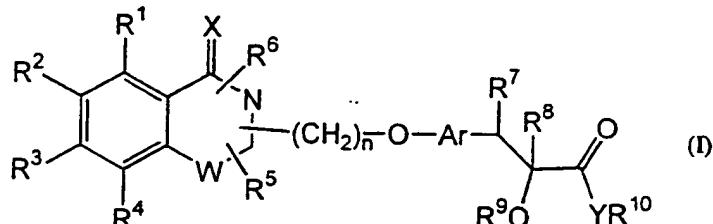


where  $R^{14}$  represents lower alkyl group and all other symbols are as defined above, to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above, where the linker group  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  is attached to nitrogen atom; and

15 j) optionally converting the compounds of formula (I) obtained in any of the processes described above into pharmaceutically acceptable salts or pharmaceutically acceptable solvates.

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## 7. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (I)

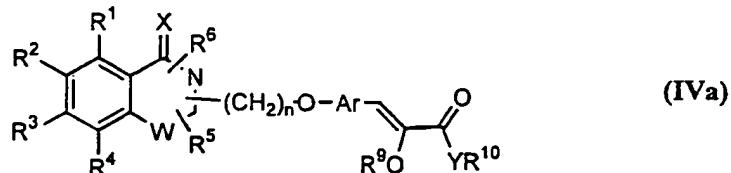


its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, 10 aralkoxycarbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be amino or dialkyl group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, 15 aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or 20 unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or or unsubstituted 25

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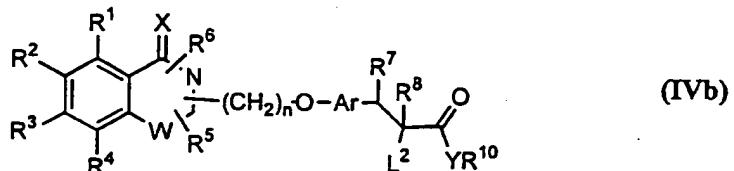
or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen; the linking group represented by  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, which comprises:

a) reducing a compound of formula (IVa)



which represents a compound of formula (I) where  $R^7$  and  $R^8$  together represent a bond and Y represents an oxygen atom and all other symbols are as defined above, to yield a compound of the formula (I) where  $R^7$  and  $R^8$  each represent hydrogen atom and all symbols are as defined above;

10 b) reacting a compound of formula (IVb)

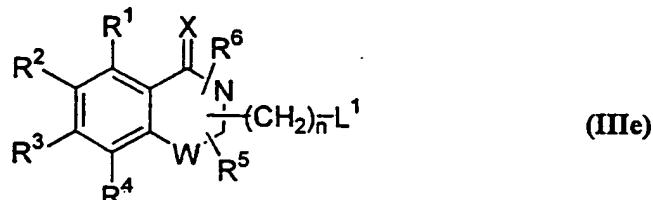


where all symbols are as defined above and  $L^2$  is a leaving group with a compound of formula (IVc),



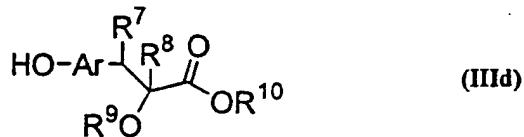
15 where  $R^9$  represents unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylamino-carbonyl, arylamino carbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups defined above;

c) reacting a compound of formula (IIIe)



20 where all symbols are as defined above and  $L^1$  is a leaving group with a compound of formula (IIId)

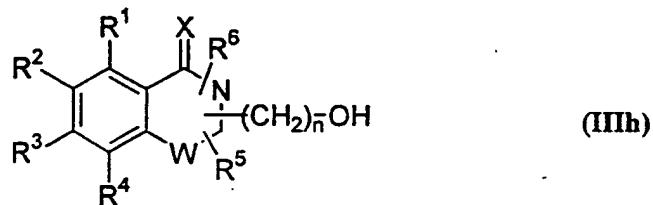
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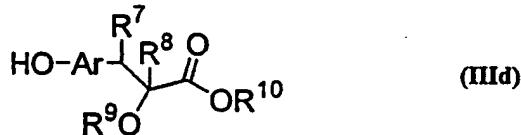
where all symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of the formula (I) defined above;

d) reacting a compound of formula (IIIh)

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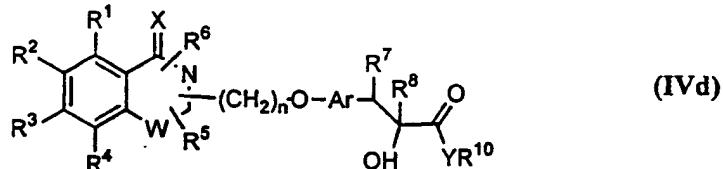


where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIId)



where all symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above;

10 e) reacting a compound of formula (IVd)



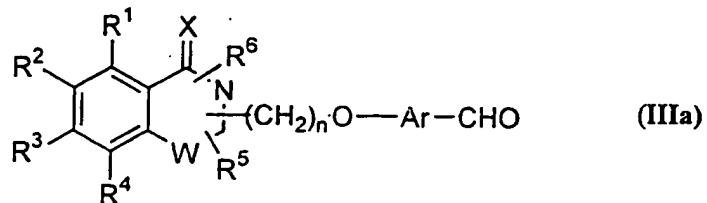
which represents a compound of formula (I) where R9 represents a hydrogen atom and all other symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IVe)



15 where R9 represents or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups and L2 is a halogen atom to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above;

f) reacting a compound of the formula (IIIa)

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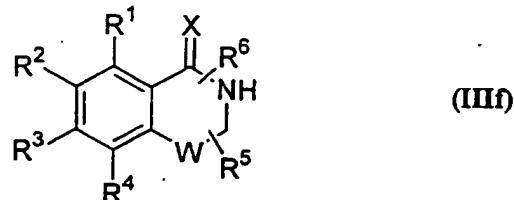
where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIc)



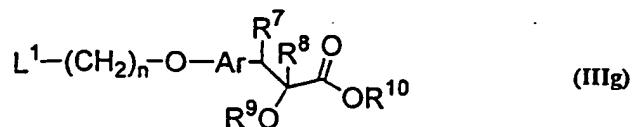
where  $R^8$  is hydrogen, and all other symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of

5 formula (I) after dehydroxylation;

g) reacting a compound of formula (IIIf)

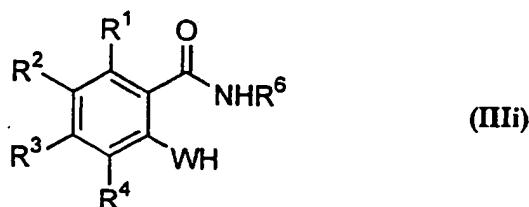


where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IIIg)



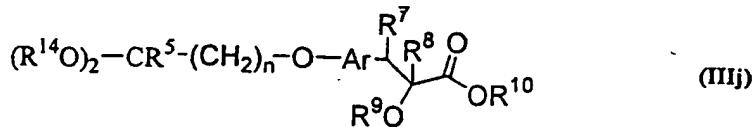
10 where  $L^1$  is a leaving group, and all other symbols are as defined above to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above, where the linker group  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  is attached to nitrogen atom;

h) reacting a compound of formula (IIIi)



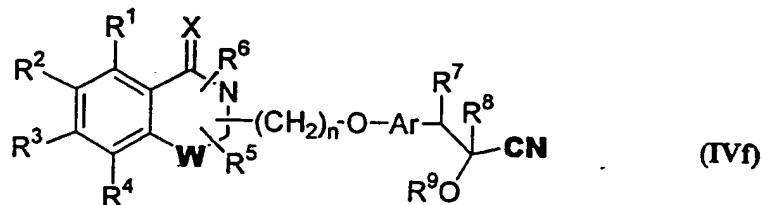
15 where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of general formula (IIIj)

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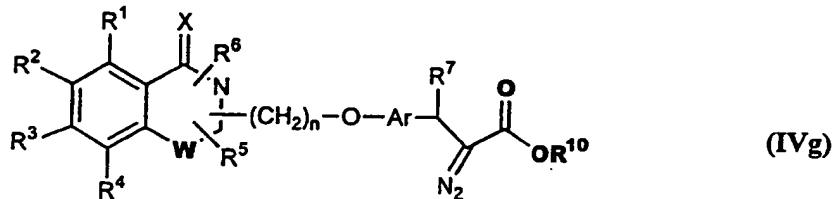
where  $R^{14}$  represents a lower alkyl group, and all other symbols are as defined above, to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above, where the linker group  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  is attached to carbon atom;

5           i)     converting a compound of formula (IVf)



where all symbols are as defined above to a compound of formula (I) defined above;

j)     reacting a compound of formula (IVg)

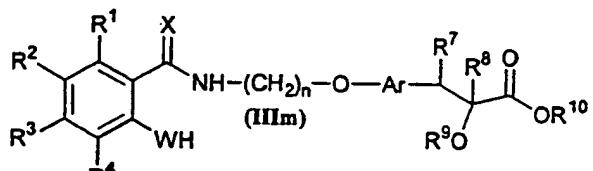


10    where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IVc)



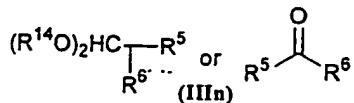
where  $R^9$  is as defined above to produce a compound of formula (I), optionally;

(k)     reacting a compound of formula (IIIm) where all symbols are as defined above



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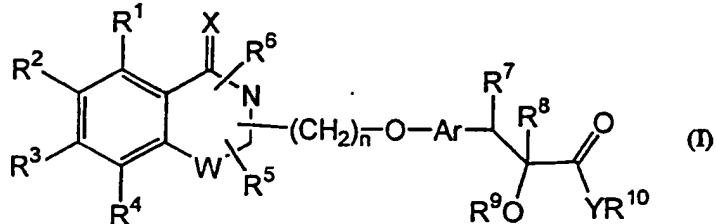
with a compound of formula (IIIn)



where  $R^{14}$  represents lower alkyl group and all other symbols are as defined above, to produce a compound of formula (I) defined above, where the linker group  $-(CH_2)_n-O-$  is attached to nitrogen atom;

- 5        i)        resolving the compound of formula (I) obtained in any of the processes described above into its stereoisomers, and optionally;
- 10        m)        converting the compounds of formula (I) or its stereoisomers obtained in any of the processes described above into pharmaceutically acceptable salts or pharmaceutically acceptable solvates.

8.        A process for the preparation of compound of formula (I)

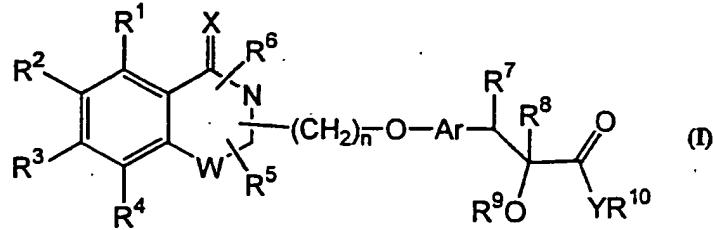


its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X represents O or S; the groups  $R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4$  and the groups  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyloxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group  $NR^{11}$ ;  $R^{11}$  and the groups  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  when attached to nitrogen

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atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or 5 dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents 10 hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl, or R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond together with R<sup>7</sup>; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; 15 R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents NR<sup>12</sup>, where R<sup>12</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted, alkyl, aryl, hydroxyalkyl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> together may form a substituted or unsubstituted 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure containing carbon atoms, which 20 may or unsubstituted or substituted contain one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, which comprises :

a) reacting a compound of formula (I)

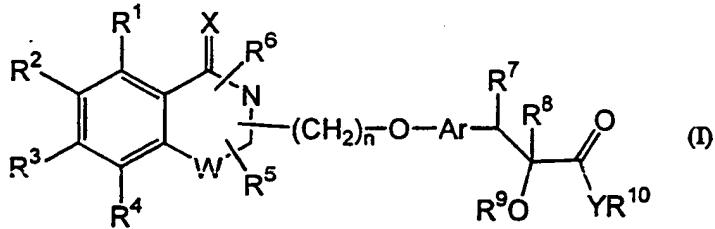


25 where all symbols are as defined above and Y represents oxygen, and R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or a lower alkyl group or YR<sup>10</sup> represents a halogen atom, or COYR<sup>10</sup> represents a mixed anhydride group with appropriate amines of the formula NHR<sup>10</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, where R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are as defined earlier and, optionally;

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- b) resolving the compound of formula (I) obtained above into stereoisomers, and optionally;
- c) converting the compounds of formula (I) obtained above into pharmaceutically acceptable salts or pharmaceutically acceptable solvates.

5 9. A compound of formula (I)

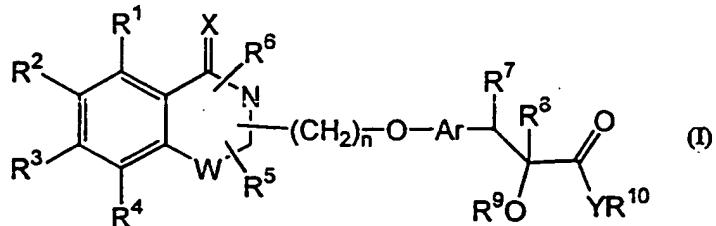


its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, or its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, where X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to 10 carbon atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or or unsubstituted or substituted groups 15 selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid 20 derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> together with R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, 25

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arylamino carbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, 5 prepared according to the process of claim 6.

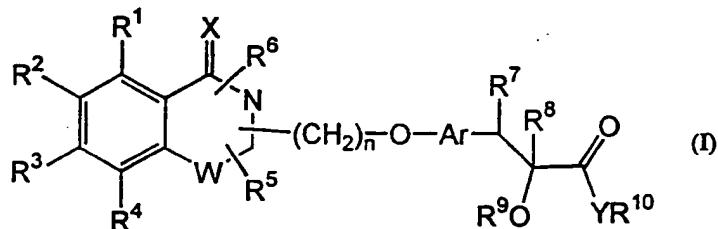
## 10. A compound of formula (I)



its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X 10 represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be the same or different 15 and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, 20 aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, 25

hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylamino-carbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> 5 represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents oxygen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, prepared according to the process of claim 7.

11. A compound of formula (I)

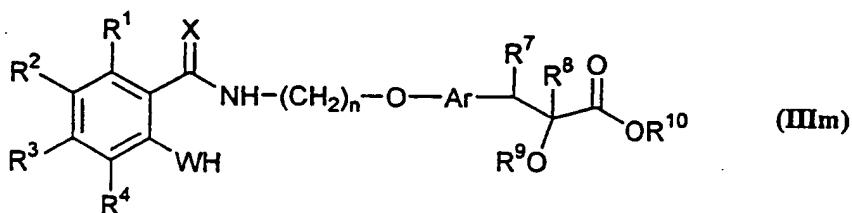


10 its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n 15 20 25

is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or

5 unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl, or R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond together with R<sup>7</sup>; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; Y represents NR<sup>12</sup>, where R<sup>12</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from, alkyl, aryl, hydroxyalkyl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> together may form a substituted or unsubstituted 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure containing carbon atoms, which may or unsubstituted or substituted contain one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, prepared according to the process of claim 8.

10 12. An intermediate of formula (III<sup>m</sup>)



where, X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> may be same or different and

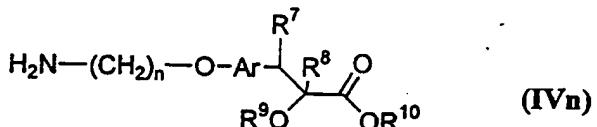
20 represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyloxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O or S; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup>

represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl, or R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond together with R<sup>7</sup>; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups

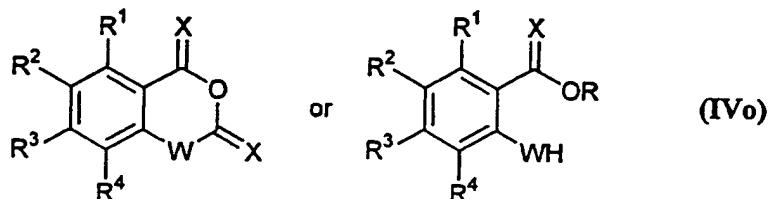
5 selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; and the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or

10 carbon atom.

13. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (IIIIm) as defined in claim 12, which comprises reacting a compound of formula (IVn)

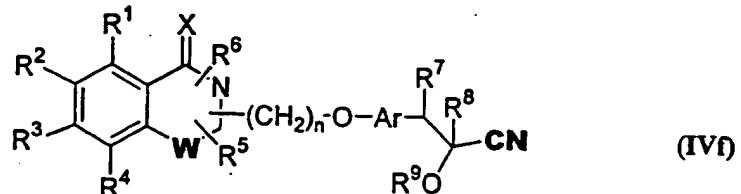


where all symbols are as defined earlier with a compound of formula (IVo)



15 where all symbols are as defined earlier.

14. An intermediate of formula (IVf)



where X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy-

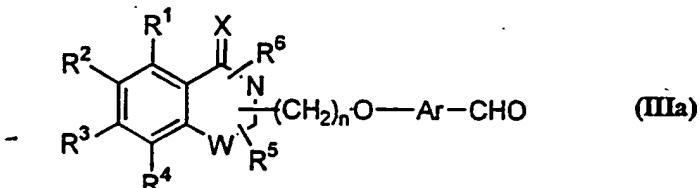
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carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonyl-amino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocycl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or di alkylamino group,

5 10 15 20 25 arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group or forms a bond with R<sup>8</sup>; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl group or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl or R<sup>8</sup> forms a bond together with R<sup>7</sup>; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylamino-carbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocycl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; and the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom.

15. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (IVf) defined in claim 14, where R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> represent hydrogen atoms and all other symbols are as defined in claim 14 which comprises :

25 a) reacting a compound of formula (IIIa)

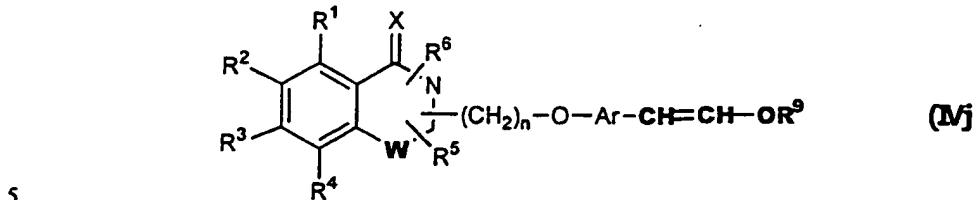


where all symbols are as defined above with a compound of formula (IVi)



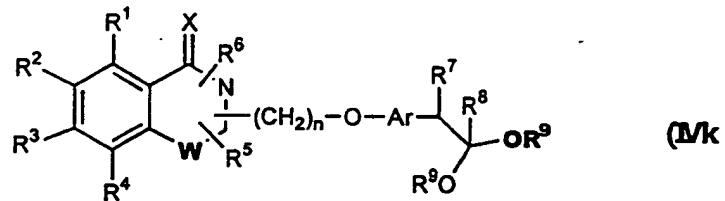
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where  $R^9$  represents unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups and  $Hal$  represents a halogen atom, to yield a compound of formula (IVj)



where all symbols are as defined above,

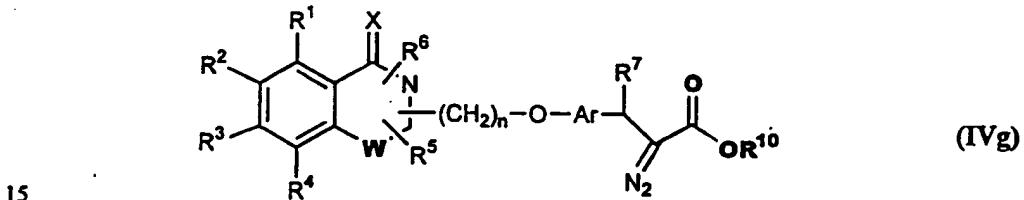
b) reacting the a compound of formula (IVj) with a compound of formula  $R^9OH$  where  $R^9$  is as defined in part a to yield a compound of formula (IVk),



10 where all symbols are as defined above, and

c) reacting a compound of formula (IVj) obtained above where all symbols are as defined above with trialkylsilyl cyanide to produce a compound of formula (IVf) where all symbols are as defined above.

16. An intermediate of formula (IVg)

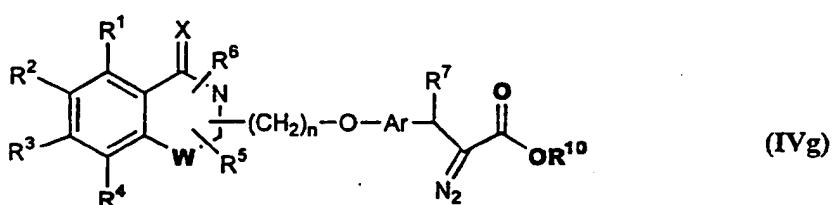


where  $X$  represents O or S; the groups  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$  and the groups  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxy-carbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group,

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arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, 5 aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, 10 cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; and the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom.

15 17. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (IVg)

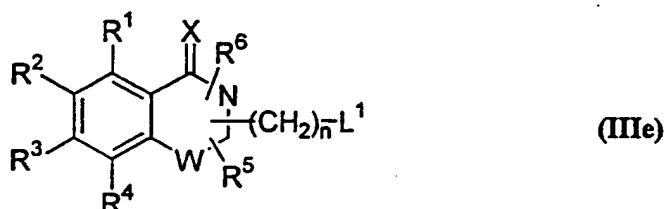


20 where X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, amino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, 25 arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxy carbonylamino, aryloxy carbonylamino, aralkoxy carbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W

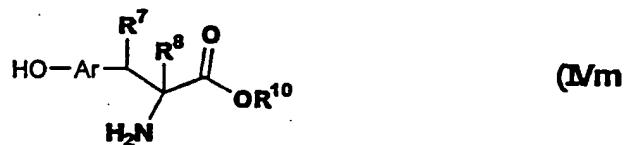
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represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, alkylamino which may be mono or dialkylamino group, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxy carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, aralkoxy carbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl group; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; and the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, which comprises:

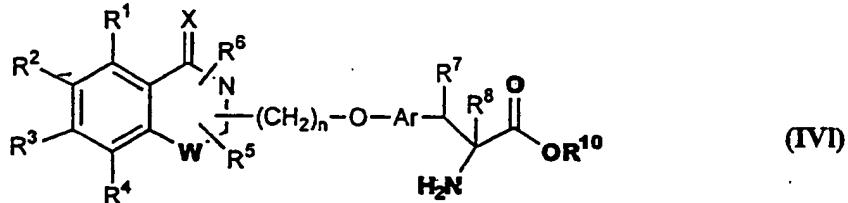
15 a) reacting a compound of formula (IIIe)



where L<sup>1</sup> is a leaving group and all other symbols are as defined in claim 14 with a compound of formula (IVm)



20 where R<sup>8</sup> is a hydrogen atom and all other symbols are as defined in claim 14, to yield a compound of formula (VI)



where R<sup>8</sup> is a hydrogen atom and all other symbols are as defined above, and

b) reacting the compound of formula (IV) obtained above with an appropriate diazotizing agent.

18. A compound according to claim 1 which is selected from :

5 Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-propenoate;

(±)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl] propanoate;

10. (++)Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(-)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

15 [2R, N(1S)] 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]-N-(2-hydroxy-1-phenylethyl)propanamide;

[2S, N(1S)] 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]-N-(2-hydroxy-1-phenylethyl)propanamide;

20 (++)2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Ethyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[2-[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-propenoate;

25 (±)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(++)Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

30 (±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[2,2-dimethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

5       (±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

10      (-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

15      (-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

20      (+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid;

25      (+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid;

30      (±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl] propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

5 (+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] 10 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] 15 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl] 20 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(±)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] 25 phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-2-yl]methoxy] phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

(±)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] 30 methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

5 (-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[3-ethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

( $\pm$ )-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(+)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

10 (-)-Methyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and salts;

15 (+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and salts;

(-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[[1,3-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and salts;

( $\pm$ )-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

20 (+)-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

(-)-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

25 ( $\pm$ )-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(-)-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

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( $\pm$ )-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

( $+$ )-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

5       (-)-Methyl 2-phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy]phenyl]propanoate;

( $\pm$ )-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

10      ( $+$ )-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

( $-$ )-2-Phenoxy-3-[4-[[6-chloro-4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-quinazolinyl] methoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

( $\pm$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl] ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

15      ( $+$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

( $-$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

20      ( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

( $+$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

( $-$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-nitro-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl] propanoic acid and its salts;

25      ( $\pm$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

( $+$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

30      ( $-$ )-Ethyl 2-ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy] phenyl]propanoate;

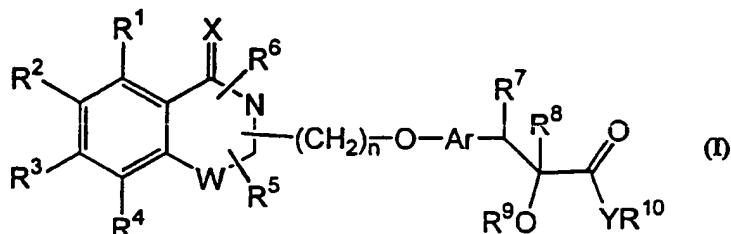
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( $\pm$ )-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

(+)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts; and

5. (-)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[2-[6-acetyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazin-3-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]propanoic acid and its salts;

19. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of formula (I)



as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier,

10. diluent, excipient or solvate.

20. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 19, in the form of a tablet, capsule, powder, syrup, solution or suspension.

21. A method of preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or 15 diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism comprising administering an effective amount compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claims 19 and 20 to a patient in need thereof.

22. A method according to claim 21, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired 20 glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose 25 reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

23. A method according to claim 22, for the treatment prophylaxis of disorders related to Syndrome X, which comprises administering an agonist of PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\gamma$  or a mixture thereof of formula (I).
24. A method of reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL or free fatty acids in the plasma comprising administering a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claims 19 and 20 to a patient in need thereof
25. A method of preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism comprising administering a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claims 19 and 20 in combination/concomitant with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol which may be administered together or within such a period as to act synergistically together to a patient in need thereof.
26. A method according to claim 25, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.
27. A method according to claim 26 for the treatment or prevention of disorders related to Syndrome X, which comprises administering a compound of formula (I) in combination with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol which may be administered together or within such a period as to act synergistically together.
28. A method of reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL or free fatty acids in the plasma, which comprises administering a compound of formula (I) claimed in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed

in claims 19 and 20 in combination/concomitant with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol which may be administered together or within such a period as to act synergistically together.

29. Use of a compound according to any one of claim 1-5, 9-11 or 18 for preventing or 5 treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism.

30. Use according to claim 29, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, 10 atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, 15 osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

31. Use of a compound according to any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 for reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL or free fatty acids in the plasma.

32. Use of a compound according to any one of claim 1-5, 9-11 or 18 for preparing a 20 medicament for preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism.

33. Use according to claim 32, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, 25 atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, 30 osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

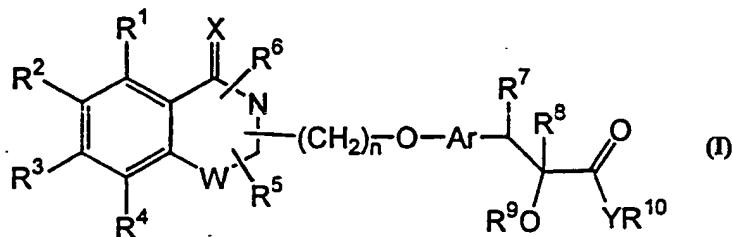
34. Use of a compound according to any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 for preparing a

medicament for reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL or free fatty acids in the plasma.

35. A medicine for preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or 5 diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism comprising administering an effective amount compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 to a patient in need thereof.
36. A medicine according to claim 35, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, 10 obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic 15 complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.
37. A method according to claim 27, for the treatment or prophylaxis of disorders related to Syndrome X, which comprises administering an agonist of PPAR $\alpha$ , agonist of PPAR $\gamma$  or a mixture thereof of formula (I).
38. A medicine for reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, totalcholesterol, LDL, VLDL 20 and free fatty acids in the plasma comprising administering a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11 or 18 to a patient in need thereof.
39. A medicine for preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or 25 diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism comprising administering a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 in combination/concomitant with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol which may be administered together or within such a period as to act synergistically together to a patient in need thereof.
40. A medicine according to claim 39, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired 30 glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular

disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

41. A process for the preparation of compound of formula (I)



its derivatives, its analogs, its tautomeric forms, its stereoisomers, its polymorphs, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or its pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, wherein X represents O or S; the groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to carbon atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, formyl; or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, amino, monoalkylamino, dialkylamino, arylamino, acylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, aralkoxycarbonylamino, carboxylic acid or its derivatives, or sulfonic acid or its derivatives; W represents O, S or a group NR<sup>11</sup>; R<sup>11</sup> and the groups R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> when attached to nitrogen atom may be the same or different and represent hydrogen, hydroxy, formyl or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aryl, aralkyl, aryloxy, aralkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaralkyl, heteroaralkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyalkyl, amino, acylamino, monoalkylamino, dialkylamino, arylamino, aralkylamino, aminoalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkoxycarbonyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, aralkoxyalkyl, alkylthio, thioalkyl, carboxylic acid derivatives, or sulfonic acid derivatives; n is an integer ranging from 1 - 4; Ar represents an unsubstituted or substituted divalent aromatic or heterocyclic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, or unsubstituted

or substituted aralkyl group; R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen atom, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, lower alkyl, acyl or unsubstituted or substituted aralkyl; R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen or unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aryloxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups; R<sup>10</sup> represents hydrogen; Y represents oxygen; the linking group represented by -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O- may be attached either through nitrogen atom or carbon atom, which comprises: hydrolysing a compound of formula (1) described in any of the claims 6 and 7 where R<sup>10</sup> represents unsubstituted or substituted groups selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl groups and all other symbols are as defined earlier by conventional methods.

42. Use of a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 19 or 20 in combination with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol for preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism.

43. Use according to claim 42, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

44. Use of a compound as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 19 or 20 in combination with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol for reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL and free fatty acids in the plasma.

45. Use of a compound of formula (I) as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 19 or 20 for preparing a medicament in

combination with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol for preventing or treating hyperlipemia, hypercholesterolemia, hyperglycemia, osteoporosis, obesity, glucose intolerance, leptin resistance, insulin resistance, or diseases in which insulin resistance is the underlying pathophysiological mechanism.

5 46. Use according to claim 45, wherein the disease is type II diabetes, impaired glucose tolerance, dyslipidaemia, disorders related to Syndrome X such as hypertension, obesity, atherosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, coronary artery disease and other cardiovascular disorders, certain renal diseases including glomerulonephritis, glomerulosclerosis, nephrotic syndrome, 10 hypertensive nephrosclerosis, retinopathy, nephropathy, disorders related to endothelial cell activation, psoriasis, polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), useful as aldose reductase inhibitors, for improving cognitive functions in dementia and treating diabetic complications, osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel diseases, myotonic dystrophy, pancreatitis, arteriosclerosis, xanthoma or cancer.

15 47. Use of a compound as defined in any one of claims 1-5, 9-11, or 18 or a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 19 or 20 for preparing a medicament in combination with HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, nicotinic acid, cholestyramine, colestipol or probucol for reducing plasma glucose, triglycerides, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL and free fatty acids in the plasma.

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**Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)**

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

**1.  Claims Nos.:**

21-31 and 37

because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

Remark: Although claims 21-31 and 37

are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

**2.  Claims Nos.:**

because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:

**3.  Claims Nos.:**

because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

**Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)**

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1.  As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.

2.  As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

3.  As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4.  No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

**Remark on Protest**

The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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